

OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on November 21, 2011, and called to order by Mayor Knaack at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The following members were present: Smith, White, Hausler, Dickmann, Riedel, Schwebs, Solberg, Cruz and Mercil. Halloran and Beety were absent. MOTION was made by Riedel, seconded by Hausler, and carried to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2011 special session and regular meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING – Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing relating to the proposed ordinance establishing the 2012 General Fund Operating Budget and Tax Levy.

Chuck Backus, representing the Dunn County Historical Society, described to the Council that any subsidy from the City would be used to collect and interpret the local history and preserve it in a properly controlled environment with properly filtered light, climate control and white glove care.

John Backhaus, President of the Dunn County Humane Society, stated the need for a subsidy from the City and that he will be in contact with city administration to get a contract in place for the 2013 budget year.

Kent Conklin, representing Dunn County Transit, described to the Council the service that is provided by Dunn County Transit and some history of the entity.

Amy Reise, Executive Director of the Mabel Tainter Center for the Arts, thanked the Council for their past support to the Mabel Tainter and requested continued support in 2012.

Joanie Dulin, Director of Main Street of Menomonie, expressed her gratitude for support of the Main Street program.

Dave Micek, Vice President of the Dunn County Historical Society, and Chairperson of the Historic Preservation Commission, announced he was available for questions regarding the subsidy requests from both of these organizations. The public hearing was declared closed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - Paul Gerrard, Gerrard Corporation, announced that he was available for questions regarding the proposed rezoning and the Planned Unit Development – General Plan (Phase II) for Dancing Oaks Cottages on Wilson Avenue extended.

Dave Micek, owner of Junction Liquor, spoke in opposition to granting the available “Class A” Liquor license.

BUDGET REVIEW – MOTION to remove the proposed subsidy of \$1,940 from Other Buildings 01.51720.321 Red Cedar Special Olympics and add \$1,940 to Other Buildings 01.51720.318 Stepping Stones of Dunn County (for a subsidy of \$15,440) was made by White, seconded by Solberg, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel and Schwebs opposed.

MOTION was made by Smith, seconded by Schwebs, and carried on roll call vote with White and Riedel opposed to add \$6,000 back into Other Buildings 01.51720.301 Tainter Building Subsidy (restore to original request of \$60,000).

MOTION to add \$20,000 back into Library 01.55110.302 City Library Subsidy (from the proposed \$390,000 to \$410,000) was made by Smith, seconded by Schwebs, and carried on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Smith, White, Dickmann, Schwebs, and Mercil. Noes: Hausler, Riedel, Solberg and Cruz.

MOTION to add \$2,400 back into Leisure Services 01.55130.305 Dunn County Transit Subsidy (restore to original request of \$25,400) was made by Smith, seconded by Solberg, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel opposed.

MOTION to add \$2,800 back into Leisure Services 01.55130.306 Senior Citizen Subsidy (restore to original request of \$29,800) was made by Smith, seconded by Mercil, and carried on roll call vote with White and Riedel opposed.

MOTION to add \$1,000 back into Celebrations & Entertainment 01.55340.307 Ludington Guard Band Concerts (restore to the 2011 budget amount of \$12,000) was made by Smith, seconded by Dickmann, and carried on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Smith, White, Hausler, Dickmann, Cruz and Mercil. Noes: Schwebs and Solberg. Abstention: Riedel.

MOTION to add \$500 back into Plan Commission 01.56320.304 Historic Preservation Commission (restore to original request of \$4,000) was made by Smith, seconded by Cruz, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel abstaining.

MOTION to add \$2,455 back into Economic Development 01.56510.208 Dunn County Economic Development Corp. (restore to the original request of \$26,455) was made by Smith, seconded by Solberg, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel abstaining.

MOTION to add \$1,748 back into Animal Control 01.53430.316 Dunn County Humane Society (to restore to the 2011 budgeted amount of \$16,748) was made by Smith, seconded by Dickmann, and carried on roll call vote with Riedel abstaining.

MOTION to add \$1,000 back into Other Buildings 01.51720.322 Dunn County Historical Society (restore to original request of \$5,000) was made by Smith, seconded by Schwebs, and carried on roll call vote with Solberg opposed and Riedel abstaining.

MOTION to levy a tax of \$5,750,000 and a tax rate of \$6.61 was made by Schwebs, seconded by Smith, and lost on the following vote (due to lack of a voting quorum): Ayes: Smith, Hausler, Schwebs, Solberg, Cruz and Mercil. Noes: Dickmann. Abstentions: White and Riedel.

MOTION to levy a tax of \$5,750,000 and a tax rate of \$6.61 was made by Mercil, seconded by Cruz, and lost on the following vote (second motion also lost due to lack of a voting quorum): Ayes: Smith, Hausler, Dickmann, Schwebs, Solberg, Cruz and Mercil. Abstentions: White and Riedel.

MOTION to levy a tax of \$5,695,000 and a tax rate of \$6.55 was made by White, seconded by Dickmann, and lost on roll call vote with White casting the only affirmative vote.

MOTION was made by Mercil, seconded by Cruz, and carried with Riedel opposed to call a special meeting for 5:00 p.m. on November 28, 2011 to review and adopt the 2012 General Fund Operating Budget and Tax Levy.

REVIEW of the 2012 Capital Improvements Program – this item will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Cruz, and carried to suspend the rules to hear from Paul Gerrard, Gerrard Corporation. Mr. Gerrard described his proposal to develop the second phase of the Dancing Oaks Planned Unit Development, titled Dancing Oaks Cottages, which would require the property to be rezoned to multiple-family residential district and approval of Phase II of the Planned Unit Development.

ORDINANCE rezoning Lot 1 (6.11 acres) as shown on the preliminary certified survey map for Dancing Oaks Cottages, was introduced and referred to the Plan Commission by Smith, second by Cruz, and carried.

ORDINANCE regarding the prohibition of possession of certain synthetic cannabinoids controlled substances and analogs thereof was introduced by Schwebs. MOTION to waive the first reading of the ordinance was made by Cruz, seconded by Schwebs, and carried. MOTION to waive the second reading was made by Smith, seconded by White, and carried. MOTION to adopt the ordinance was made by Schwebs, seconded by Cruz, and carried.

LICENSE – MOTION to take no action on the available “Class A” Liquor license until the first meeting in January 2014 was made by Schwebs, seconded by Hausler, and carried with Riedel opposed.

BUDGET – MOTION was made by Cruz, seconded by Solberg, and carried on roll call vote to approve the following transfers: \$220 from Traffic Control 01.54411.264 Signal Equipment Maintenance and \$625 from 01.54411.453 Parts to Traffic Control 01.54411.714 Computer (\$845).

COMMUNICATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Randy Eide, Public Works Director, announced that there are three remaining rain barrels for sale.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Smith, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve payment of the following claims:

<u>Claims</u>	
ACS	\$ 3,664.00
Auto Value	5.49
Bobolink Nursery	150.00
Cardmember Services	2,114.40
Cardmember Services	154.32
C. R. Cook’s Concrete	16,145.00
Cedar Country Coop	7.54
Chippewa Valley Newspaper	2,712.33
Chippewa Valley Technical College	120.00
Dawes Rigging	998.16
Fire-Rescue Supply, LLC	18,305.00
First Supply	800.89
Connie Fuerstenberg	86.00
Google, Inc.	5,464.44
Gold Cross	175.21
Halverson Bros.	522.12
Tom Hetzel	231.00
J. B. Hydro	2,100.00
L.F. George, Inc.	37,997.50
L. W. Allen, Inc.	170.50
Marketplace Foods	452.34
Becki Marlett	84.00
Shackleton Tree Service	650.00
St. Croix Tree Service, Inc.	6,755.00
Steel Town	707.18
Ward Aviation	362.75
White City Glass of Menomonie	42.86
Jeremy Wilterdink	24.00
WIPFLI	52,640.00
Xcel Energy	46,450.55
Zep Sales & Service	328.67
24-7 Telcom	2,765.00
<u>Parking Utility</u>	
Chippewa Valley Newspaper	\$ 133.08
City Treasurer	801.57

MOTION was made by White, seconded by Solberg, and carried to approve the following licenses:

OPERATORS: Jake D. Arvold; Jesse D. Jensen; Michelle M. Spielmann; Benjamin C. Weis; Darol C. Zachary.

SECONDHAND ARTICLE DEALER (*expires 12/31/11*): Katherine A. Mikla (Glass From The Past Thrift Store) 1120 N. Broadway St., Suite B.

TAXI CAB DRIVER: Charles G. Cone; Michael L. Weinzirl.

TEMPORARY CLASS “B” BEER LICENSE: Mabel Tainter Center for the Arts, 205 Main St. E., 11/18/11 (Monroe Crossing Performance).

MOTION to adjourn was made by Smith, seconded by Dickmann, and carried.

JoAnn L. Kadinger, City Clerk